

REMARKS

Applicants have carefully reviewed and considered the Office Action dated June 29, 2005, and the art cited therein. In response, applicants have canceled, without prejudice, claims 1-12; amended claims 13, 18, 25, and 31; and added new claims 38-49 to further define the invention. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

Applicants believe that the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration in light of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

In the pending Office Action, claims 1-37 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 as being indefinite. In particular, the Office Action makes reference to “an intermediate layer” recitation in claims 1, 13, and 25. Applicants respectfully submit that such language does not appear in those claims. However, there is reference to “an intermediate portion.” With the understanding that the Office Action is referring to the “intermediate portion” recitation, applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

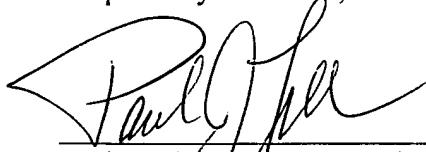
At the outset, applicants wish to point out the “[t]here is no requirement that the words in the claim must match those used in the specification disclosure.” MPEP § 2173.05(e). Applicants respectfully submit that the phrase “intermediate portion” defines the invention with a degree of clarity and precision in compliance with § 112. Nonetheless, applicants have canceled, without prejudice, claim 1 and amended claims 13, 18, 25, and 31 to remove reference to the “intermediate portion,” thereby rendering this rejection moot. The drawings objection in the Office Action is similarly considered moot.

Claims 1-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,140,918 to Green et al. In response, applicants have canceled claims 1-12, thereby rendering this rejection moot. In addition, applicants have added new claims 38-49 to further define the invention. Claim 38 is directed toward a mounting foot for mounting a light bar to an exterior surface of an emergency vehicle. It is respectfully submitted that the mounting foot of claim 38 is different than the Green light bar. For example, the mounting foot of claim 38 includes a base that is configured to fit between a light bar and an exterior surface of an emergency vehicle. Green is directed toward a light bar itself and does not teach or suggest such a mounting foot. Claims 39-49 depend from claim 38, and thus contain the same patentable features thereof.

Applicants respectfully submit that the patent application is in condition for allowance. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the

prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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